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Group No.: 3676

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# TIME OF TRANSMITTAL OF ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- 1. The information disclosure statement transmitted herewith is being filed *after* three months of the filing date of this national application or the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in Section 1.491 in an international application or after the mailing date of the first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurred last but *before* the mailing date of either
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  - (2) a notice of allowance under § 1.311

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2. Accompanying this transmittal is the fee for submission of an information disclosure statement under section 1.97(c). (\$180.00)

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#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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- NOTE: "An information disclosure statement shall be considered by the Office if filed by the applicant:
  - (1) Within three months of the filing date of a national application:
  - (2) Within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in section 1.491 in an international application; or
  - (3) Before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last." 37 C.F.R. section 1.97(b).
- NOTE: "Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section." 37 C.F.R. section 1.56(a).

"Individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application within the meaning of this section are:

- (1) each inventor named in the application;
- (2) each attorney or agent who prepares or prosecutes the application; and
- (3) every other person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application." 37 C.F.R. section 1.56(c).
- NOTE: The "duty as described in section 1.56 will be met so long as the information in question was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by sections 1.97(b) (d) and 1.98 before issuance of the patent." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25 at 17.

WARNING: "No information disclosure statement may be filed in a provisional application." 37 C.F.R. section 1.51(b).

#### List of Sections Forming Part of This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

The following sections are being submitted for this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement:

(check sections forming a part of this statement: discard unused sections and number pages consecutively)

- 1. [x]Preliminary Statements
- 2. [x]Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449)
- 3. [ ]Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or Publications
- 4. [ ]Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
- 5. [ ]Cumulative Patents or Publications
- 6. [x]Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement
- 7. [ ]Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items
  - 7A. [ ]EPO Search Report
  - 7B. [ ]English Language Version of EPO Search Report
- 8. [ ]Translation(s) of Non-English Language Documents
- 9. [ ]Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items (Optional)
- 10. [x]Identification of Person(s) Making This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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Sections

, respectively, have been continued on ADDED PAGE(S).

NOTE: "Once the minimum requirements are met, the examiner has an obligation to consider the information." Notice of April 20, 1992 (1138 O.G. 37-41, 37).

#### Section 1. Preliminary statements

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. section 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability, or that no other material information exists.

The filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner. Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 25.

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# LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Reference Number	Document Number	Issue Date/ Publication Date	Inventor	Class/Subclass	
	FN	2,525,251	Oct. 1950	Willard	449/17	
	FO	2,776,854	Jan. 1957	Billstrom	292/256	
	FP	2,834,504	May 1958	Joseph	220/211	
	FQ	3,339,956	Sept. 1967	Bencene	292/127	
	FR	3,481,076	Dec. 1969	Bedard	49/279	
	FS	3,856,338	Dec. 1974	Johnsson	292/256	
	FT	4,073,521	Feb. 1978	Mena	292/256.65	
	FU	4,093,176	June 1978	Contastin	249/167	
	FV	4,927,198	May 1990	Fennell et al.	292/306	
	FW	5,186,333	Feb. 1993	Pierson et al.	209/370	
	FX	5,150,796	Sept. 1992	Pierson	209/370	
	FY	5,290,076	March 1994	Smith	292/25	
	FZ	5,294,157	March 1994	Smith et al.	292/25	
	GA	5,823,026	Oct. 1998	Finke	70/276	
	GB	6,264,458	July 2001	Marcuz et al.	425/451.9	
	GC	5,647,391	July 1997	Chan et al.	366/152.4	
	GD	4,662,829	May 1987	Nehring	417/395	
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Date Considered:	
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#### Section 6. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement

[ ]Cumulative patents or publications identified in Section 5.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. section 1.98(a)(2) requires that any information disclosure statement filed under section 1.97 shall include:

"A legible copy of: (1) Each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) Each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) All other information or that portion which caused it to be listed, except that no copy of a U.S. patent application need be included..."

NOTE: The wording in section 1.98(a)(2)(iii) makes it clear that the requirement to submit a copy of each item of information listed in an information disclosure statement does not apply to the citation of a U.S. patent application. Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 14.

Legible copies of all items listed in Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449) accompany this information statement.

(complete the following, if applicable)

[x ]Exception(s) to above:

U.S. patent citations are not included pursuant to the United State Patent and Trademarks Office's September 21, 2004 waiver of the copy requirement in 37 CFR 1.98 for cited pending U.S. patent citations when the patent citations are available in the USPTO's IFW system.

	]Items in	prior	application,	from	which	an	earlier	filing	date	is	claimed	for	this	application,	as
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(b) [ ]an individual associated with the fill 1.56(c))	ling and prosecution of this application (37 C.F.R. section
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